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SUBJECT: BRITISH MP REQUESTS US SUPPORT FOR RELEASE OF
RUDOLF HESS

1. ON JUNE 29, MEMBER-OF-PARLIAMENT AIREY NEAVE WROTE TO THE SECRETARY CONCERNING FOREIGN MINISTER DOUGLAS-HOME'S PLANNED APPROACH TO GROMYKO AT HELSINKI REQUESTING RELEASE OF HESS. DEPARTMENT HAS RESPONDED IN GENERAL TERMS TO NEAVE, AFFIRMING US POSITION THAT HESS SHOULD BE RELEASED "ON COMPASSIONATE GROUNDS BECAUSE OF HIS ADVANCED AGE," BUT STATING THAT THIS IS NOT PROPITIOUS TIME FOR RENEWED ALLIED EFFORT "BECAUSE THE SOVIETS HAVE RECENTLY REITERATED THEIR NEGATIVE POSITION" (AN OBLIQUE REFERENCE TO THE CONVERSATION REPORTED IN PARA 3, BONN 9639).

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2. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE EMBASSY INFORM THE BONN

GROUP ABOUT THIS EXCHANGE AND ASCERTAIN FROM THE BRITISH
REP. WHETHER DOUGLAS-HOME, AS WE ASSUME, HAS INFORMED
PARLIAMENT ABOUT GROMYKO'S JULY 4 RESPONSE. ROGERS

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